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**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO**  
**OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 12, 2006 AND**  
**ADVISORY ACTION DATED AUGUST 1, 2006**

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**Sir:**

In response to the Advisory Action dated August 1, 2006 and Office Action dated April 12, 2006, please enter the following amendments to the claims, and the remarks as follows.